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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

LESLIE M. KOTLER,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:14-cr-00206-APG-CWH

ORDER TERMINATING SUPERVISED RELEASE

Defendant Leslie Kotler moves for early termination of supervised release. ECF No. 48. The United States Attorney and the United States Probation Office do not oppose. *Id.* at 7. 12 Modification or termination of supervised release is governed by 18 U.S.C. § 3583(e), which 13 requires me to consider the defendant's conduct and the interests of justice. I also must consider 14 "the factors set forth in section 3553 (a)(1), (a)(2)(B), (a)(2)(C), (a)(2)(D), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), 15 and (a)(7)." After examining those section 3553 factors, I may terminate probation "if [I am] 16 satisfied that such action is warranted by the conduct of the defendant released and the interest of 17 justice." 18 U.S.C. § 3583(e)(1). Early termination is not the norm.

Dr. Kotler was convicted of tax evasion and sentenced to 13 months in custody. Since 19 his release from custody, he has complied with all conditions of supervised release. Dr. Kotler is 20 gainfully employed and seeks termination of supervision so he can increase his dental practice.

I believe Dr. Kotler is rehabilitated. The public is not in need of protection from him, and 22 continued supervision will not provide any additional deterrence to him committing crimes in the 23 future. 18 U.S.C. § 3553(b)(2)(B), (C). As for the policy statements issued by the Sentencing

Commission (18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(5)), Application Note 5 to United States Sentencing Guideline § 5D1.2 states that "[t]he court is encouraged to exercise this authority [to terminate early release] in appropriate cases." This is an appropriate case.

Because of the circumstances of this case, the interests of justice are served by the early termination of supervised release. I will grant the motion.

The defendant's motion for early termination of supervised release (ECF No. 48) is GRANTED.

DATED this 21st day of December, 2018.

ANDRÉW P. GORDON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE